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*Summary: The Office of Admissions at the University of Minnesota, Morris announces two new competitive first-year scholarships for students who enroll at UMM beginning fall 2007.*

(October 18, 2006)-The Office of Admissions at the University of Minnesota, Morris announces two new competitive first-year scholarships for students who enroll at UMM beginning fall 2007. While student scholarships are always a high priority at UMM, October is recognized University wide as Scholarship Month, a time set aside specifically to recognize that scholarships are a key ingredient to student success.

"This new scholarship program will enable UMM to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of new students as well as to continue to welcome students to the campus who will enhance the academic community," said Jaime Moquin, director of admissions at UMM.

First-year students with an outstanding academic and leadership record are invited to compete for the Prairie Scholars Award and the Morris Scholars Award. To be eligible for consideration for either award, students must be accepted to UMM and submit the scholarship essay supplement by the December 15 deadline. Recipients will be selected during a competitive interview process held at UMM in February each year. This scholarship is renewable for four-years by maintaining a 2.5 grade point average (GPA). A student must be enrolled for at least 12 credits to receive these scholarships. The Prairie Scholars Award offers a full-tuition scholarship renewable for up to four years.

The Morris Scholars Award offers a half-tuition scholarship per year plus a one-time \$2,500 scholarly stipend. The half tuition scholarship portion of this award is renewable for up to four years. The stipend may be used during the second, third or fourth year at UMM to engage in an eligible scholarly experience (e.g., to study abroad, to participate in a research or artistic project or to travel to academic conferences).

In addition to these new scholarships, UMM continues to offer numerous renewable four-year scholarships that are awarded based on high school class rank and other criteria, along with other incentives for prospective and incoming students. For example, students who plan to enter UMM as music majors and who have demonstrated high music ability and performance may be eligible for the Clyde Johnson Music Scholarship.

UMM honors its history as an Indian Boarding School by waiving tuition for American Indian students. To learn more visit [Financial Aid](#).

To learn more about UMM's scholarship opportunities and financial aid and to discover why UMM is simply an excellent choice, visit [Admissions](#).

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